



NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Deborah Gilg and the Lincoln Police Department and Lancaster County Sheriff's Office announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

The Honorable Richard G. Kopf sentenced Marcus Richardson, Sr., aka "C-Note", to 15 years and eight months in prison for conspiring to distribute methamphetamine in eastern Nebraska. Richardson was also ordered to complete five years of supervised release following completion of his prison term.

On May 3, 2009, Richardson was present at a party in Syracuse, Nebraska, when officers found methamphetamine while executing a search warrant. Richardson admitted he had brought methamphetamine to the house for a party. Other individuals also provided information about drug dealings they had with Richardson which led to his indictment.

Name of Defendant: Marcus Buffus Richardson, Sr.

AKA: C Note

Age: 38

City of residence: Lincoln

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty):

conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine, five to 40 years imprisonment, up to a \$2,000,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, not less than 4 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Lincoln, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: over 450 grams of methamphetamine

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: March 1, 2007 through June 1, 2009

Federal Arrest Date: August 22, 2009

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: August 19, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: August 26, 2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): pled December 4, 2009

Sentencing Date: March 4, 2010

Next Court Hearing Type and Date:

Assigned Magistrate Judge: David L. Piester

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: held without bond

In Continuous Custody Since: August 22, 2009

Assigned District Court Judge: Richard G. Kopf

Initials of Assigned SAUSA/Preparer of THIS Release: JML